

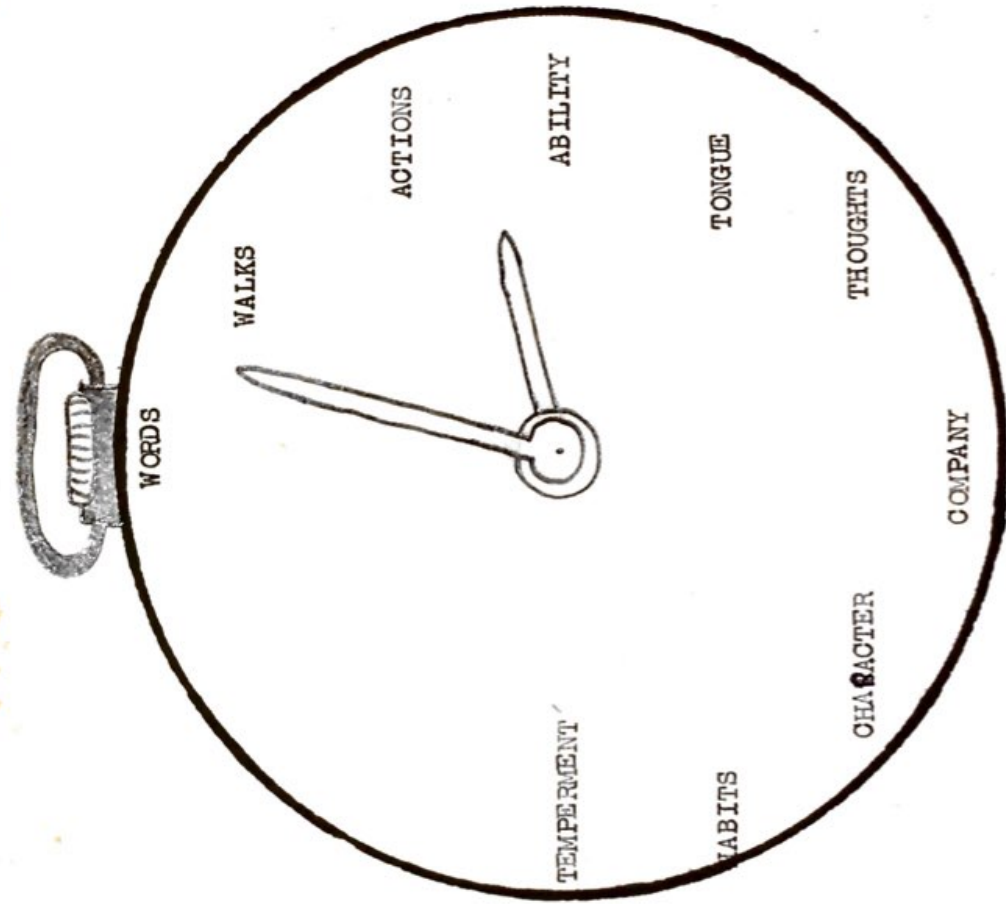
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WATCHING, FAITHFUL



FAITHFUL WATCHING

INTRODUCTION:

Rev 2:10

1. There can be no question to the one who studies their Bible that a Christian must be faithful until death.
2. Many have accepted false teaching without examination, and believe that they cannot fall from the grace of God.
3. A Child of God must continually be watching the life that he or she lives, watching every avenue of our life.
4. Note some things that we must watch:

Cor 16:13

BODY:

I. EVEN THE MOST FAITHFUL AND STRONGEST HAVE FALLEN: EXAMPLES:

1. Samson---Strongest, yet was overcome.
Never too strong to be careless
2. David---Holiest, still he was ensnared.
3. Solomon---Wisest, yet was deceived
4. Peter---Boldest, yet was intimidated, lead astray by those about him.
5. Christians---How careful we must then be.

II. SOME THINGS THAT WE MUST WATCH:

1. WORDS: Matt 12:37--
James 3:2---
Prov 25:11--
Prov 25:15--
We cannot be too careful about what we say.
2. WALKS: Phil 3:17-21---
1 John 1:7---
Ps 1:1-7-----
This incorporates every day that we live, not just Sun.
As a child of God we cannot go and do just anything.

3. ACTION:

Faithful men's actions have betrayed them in days goneby
Adam---disobeyed the Father by lose actions
Cain---offered wrong sacrifice
Abraham---actions caused him to be called Father of F
Naaman--Actions brought him freedom from Leprosy

4. ABILITY: Man with talents; 5, 2, and one talent Mt 25:

We must give an account of our talents, whether they are great or small.

5. TONGUE: James 3:1-18 -- Must control tongue
Titus 3:1-30---Speak evil of no man.

6. THOUGHTS: Isa 55:6-9---
Phil 4:8
Rom 2:16--God shall judge our thoughts.

Our thoughts decide our actions and deeds.

The law of Moses judged a man's actions and deeds, but Christ said that he was to judge the thoughts of man.
If our thoughts are controlled then our actions will be good.

7. COMPANY: "evil companionship corrupt good morals."
Peter--companions lead him astray.
Samson--Deliah's evil companionship caused his ruin.

8. CHARACTER: All these other things being as they should, our character should be on the right plain.
Our neighbors and friends are watching our character.

9. HABITS: A habit is like a comfortable bed, easy to fall into but hard to get out of.
Habits finally gain control of our bodies, and then it becomes a sin.
Paul said that he would not allow his body to be brought under bondage to anything.
Good habits are needed by all, but bad habits can be most costly and destructive.

10. TEMPER: "Let not the sun go down on your wrath."
"Be angry and sin not."
We must control our temperments.

11. LIGHT: "Let your light so shine that others seeing your good works may glorify the Father who is in heaven."
"Ye are the light of the world"
"I am the light of the world."

CONCLUSION:

1. Yes, the Christian must be continuously watching, careful,
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